Salaries to teaching and Non-teaching Staff

2158. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that he has expressed concern over the fact that 95 per cent of the expenditure on education is incurred on the salary of teaching and non-teaching staff and that he was in "favour of an educaton cess" as appeared in news-item in the Times of India dated the 2nd December, 1993;

(b) if so, the details thereof and steps Government propose to take in the matter;

(c) whether he is aware of the fact that the Central Universities, State Universities and deemed Universities are facing severe financial crunch and are unable to pay even the salaries to their teaching and non-teaching staff, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) what remedial steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) At the conference of educaton organised in connection with the EFA-9 Summit of 9 high population countries, the need for a more balanced expenditure of education came up for consideration. The National Policy on Education, 1986 lays stress on mobilising resources for education, inspiring the quality of education and infrastructure facilities in schools. It is in pursuance of this that schemes like Operation Blackboard were launched.

The National Development Council, at its 46th meeting had endorsed the recommendations of the NDC Committee on Literacy, which inter-alia, suggested exploring measures for additional resource mobilization including the educational cess.

(c) Central Universities are set u Acts of Parliament and their entire r tenance and development expenditu met by the Government through U In the case of State Universities maintenance grants are fully provide the respective State Governments. provides only development grants t State Universities. The Plan and Plan expenditure of institutions of l learning, which are declared as De to-be Universities under Section 3 c UGC Act, is met by the Trust/A which has established the concerned tution. However, UGC is providing tenance as well as development to some of the Deemed Unievrsiti in the case of Central Universities.

(d) Non-Plan grants provided b Government to UGC have been st increasing over the years. UG constituted a High-Powered Commit evolve rational norms for providing lopment and maintenance grants t Central Universities, Deemed Unive and Delhi colleges. Meanwhile, man, UGC has advised the Centra versities, Deemed Universities and colleges to make efforts to reduce un able expenditure and augment their nal income wherever possible. UG also liberalised the scale of Plan assi to the Universities in the Eighth P

ग्रामीण महिलाओं के विकास के संगोष्ठी

2159. **श्री राम नरेश यादव :** मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बता कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार विभिन्न में शिक्षा-विशेषज्ञों के सहयोग से "महि विशेषकर ग्रामीण महिलाओं के वि विषय पर संगोष्ठी तथा कार्यश आयोजित करने पर विचार कर रह

(ख) यदि हां, तो उत्तर प्रदे ऐसे कितने केन्द्रों में इस प्रका संगोष्ठी तथा कार्यशाला आयोजि जाने की सम्भावना है; और